Housing Options Chart

Note: A vast majority of older adults and persons with disabilities are able to remain in their home by accessing care and support services through the community. Find more information on Finding Care and Supports section of the website at www.ct.gov/longtermcare.

*For more information on Paying for housing and services, please visit the Paying for Your Needs section of this website.

| | "Age- Restricted" Communities (apartments, co- ops, condos, and houses) | Continuing Care Retirement Communities | Elderly & Disabled Housing (Subsidized rental housing) | Congregate Housing | Residential Care Homes | Assisted Living Services/ Managed Residential Communities | Nursing Homes |
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| General Description | Private, separate residences designed for home maintenance free living | Private, residential lifestyle (with the opportunity for independence and the assurances of long-term health care) | Private apartments with full kitchen, living, sleeping and bathing areas | Private, apartment style living arrangement | Private or semi- private rooms and baths | Private, apartment style living arrangements | Private or semi- private rooms and baths |
| Age Requirement | 55 and over or 62 and over | Age restricted, requirement varies by community | Age 62 and over Age 18 and over receiving Social Security Disability (SSD) or Social Security Income (SSI) | 62 and over and frail | Age requirement can vary according to the home's policy | Primarily age 55 and older | None |
| Availability of Services | Low | Low to High Based on need | None | Moderate (Many offer assisted living services) | Moderate | Moderate to High | High Around the clock (intensive) care |
| Meals | No | Yes | No | At least one meal a day (common dining | 3 meals a day | 3 meals a day | 3 meals a day |

| | | | | area) | | | |
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| Housekeeping | Some offer | Yes | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Social / Recreational | Some offer | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Transportation | Some offer | Yes | Some offer | Some offer | No | Generally | Arranged medical transportation only |
| Assistance with Activities of Daily Living (i.e. bathing, dressing) | No | Yes | No | No - however some offer assisted living services | Yes Including monitoring medication | Yes Including monitoring medication | Yes |
| Nursing Care | No | Yes | No | No | No | No | Yes |
| *Options for paying for this type of housing | Private Pay Rentals (can free up equity to supplement income) | Private Pay Long-Term Care Insurance Policies | Private Pay Elderly Rental Assistance Program (RAP) 1/3 of income | Private Pay State Subsidies | Private Pay State Supplement/ Aid to the Aged, Blind and Disabled Funds | Private Pay Long-Term Care Insurance Policies State subsidy for a few pilot programs. | Private Pay Long-Term Care Insurance Policies Medicaid (Title 19) Limited Medicare part A |
| *Options for Paying for Services | LTC Insurance State of CT Home Care Program for Elders | Private Pay LTC Insurance State of CT Home Care Program for Elders | Private Pay LTC Insurance State of CT Home Care Program for Elders | Private Pay LTC Insurance State of CT Home Care Program for Elders | Private Pay LTC Insurance State of CT Home Care Program for | Private Pay LTC Insurance State of CT Home Care Program for | Private Pay LTC Insurance Medicaid (Title 19) |
| Traditionally serving those individuals who are | Self-sufficient who wants to enjoy maintenance free living | Healthy to chronically ill | Self-sufficient and with limited income | Basically self- sufficient but in need of a little help and with limited income | Does not need full nursing home care, but requires, nursing/health care, and assistance with ADLs. | Need help with activities of daily living, but not constant medical ~ and has financial resources | Post-operative recuperation, or complex medical care needs |

| Waiting Lists | No | No | Yes Multi-years in many cases | Yes | Yes | No | Yes |
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| Oversight Regulated by | Town Zoning and Planning Board | CCRC's are not licensed, though various components of their health care packages are licensed by the State of CT Dept. of Public Health | US Dept. of Housing and Urban Development, State of CT Dept. of Public Health Generally not licensed, however publicly assisted Elderly Housing may have some requirements | State of CT Dept. of Economic and Community Development | State of CT Department of Public Health | Assisted living facilities are not licensed in CT | State of CT Department of Public Health |
| Resident rights | | DSS LTC Ombudsman Program only for Assisted Living Services and Nursing Home Services | | | | DSS LTC Ombudsman Program | DSS LTC Ombudsman Program |